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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURE OF POLYMER COMPOSITES

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE

This is responsive to the Official Action dated June 1, 2009 in which a three-way restriction requirement was made.

Applicants elect the subject matter of Group II, namely claims 21-36 directed to fibers. This response is made with traverse to the extent that the claims of Group III, namely claims 37 and 38, which are drawn to woven or non-woven products made from the elected fibers appear to fall within the same general area of search and consideration. On this point applicants disagree with the examiner's assertion that these two groups of claims do not relate a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

Please examine claims 21-38 on the merits taking into account the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 20, 2006 as well as the concurrently filed Information Disclosure Statement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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